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In re Application of :
Gaskins et al. : DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF
Application Number: 10/732799 : INVENTOR AND PETITION
Filing Date: 12/11/2003 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT
Attorney Docket Number: :
105916.167US1 :

Papers filed on December 21, 2007, in response to the decision dismissing petition mailed on June 27, 2007, included a Declaration signed by the previously non-signing inventor, Debra Moore-Smith, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

The petition is dismissed as moot.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

As a four (4) month extension of time was required to make this response a timely reply to the decision mailed on June 27, 2007, a four (4) month extension of time will be charged to counsel's deposit account, as authorized in the papers filed on December 21, 2007.

There is no indication that petitioner herein was ever empowered to prosecute the instant application. If petitioner desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney documentation must be mailed. A courtesy copy of this decision will be mailed to petitioner. However, all future correspondence will be directed to the address of record until such time as appropriate instructions are received to the contrary.

This application will be referred to Technology Center Art Unit 1797 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3231.



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